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LETTER RESCINDING NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

A Notice of Abandonment, Form PTO-1432, was mailed on March 07, 2008, in patent application Serial Number 10/733,292. The Notice of Abandonment alleged that the period for seeking court review of the decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference rendered on 18 May 2007 has expired and there are no allowed claims. However, the Appellant requested rehearing pursuant to 37 CFR 41.50(b)(2) on 03 July 2007. The Board of Patent Appeals and Interference denied the rehearing on 23 January 2008. As set forth in 37 CFR §1.304(a)(1), the time for filing an appeal or commencing a civil action shall expire two months after action on the request.

The Notice of Abandonment therefore was sent out prematurely and the Notice of Abandonment is, therefore, hereby RESCINDED.

Any inconvenience occasioned by the delay in associating the response with the application file is regretted.

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